

MYSTERY LURKS
BEHIND DEATH
OF AGED WOMAN

Police Force Door to Find Her
Dead and Her Husband
Half Starved.

RAVENOUS DOGS FIGHT
OFF RESCUE PARTY

Doctor's Anxiety Causes Police
to Break Down Door and
Find Couple.

The lifeless body of Mrs. Ella Simpson, sixty years old, only half clad, sprawling across a first-floor hallway, and the almost famished and frozen form of her husband, Robert Simpson, eighty-two years old, until December 4 a watchman at the Treasury Department, in an upstairs room, were found by the police of the Third precinct shortly after noon today, when they broke into the building at 717 Twenty-second street northwest.

Man Is Delirious.
The old man is at the Emergency Hospital, delirious, and unable to explain the condition in which he was found. It is hardly likely that he will recover. Mrs. Simpson, who had apparently been in the best of health for one of her years, had been dead since Sunday night, it is believed.

Coroner Nevitt is examining the body this afternoon. Later he will go to the Emergency Hospital and endeavor to learn from the husband facts which are lacking at this time, and which make the affair most mysterious.

Suspicious of the quiet surrounding the Twenty-second street residence for the last three days, and unable to gain admission since Monday morning, Dr. J. W. Hart, who had been treating Mrs. Simpson for injuries received in a fall December 8, early today asked the police of the Third precinct to accompany him to the home.

Police Force Door.
Shortly after noon Policemen George Newton and Frank Strommen, with Dr. Hart, visited the Simpson residence, broke open the door, and narrowly missed treading on the prostrate form of an aged woman. She was clad only in night garments, her head resting, face downward, on her hands. Dr. Hart inspected the face, and found it to be Mrs. Simpson.

The trio then took up the search for Mr. Simpson, who had been ill for several weeks. They heard a pounding in an upstairs room, and the barking of dogs. Hastily they mounted the rickety stairs, but were forced to stop on the last landing.

Dogs Attack Rescuers.
Two snarling dogs of the cur type blocked their way and defied further progress. Coax as they might, the canines held the way, and it was several minutes before the dogs left the landing to return to their master in a front room.

Dr. Hart and the police found Mr. Simpson, wearing an undershirt and trousers, sitting on the side of the bed, with his feet on the floor. He was muttering continuously, and it was some time before the intruders could attract his attention. They tried to get from him the causes of his present condition, but failed.

It was impossible for Dr. Hart to make him understand. An ambulance was summoned, and he was rushed to the Emergency Hospital, where it was found he was in a dangerous condition. Lack of food and heat, and failure to receive medical attention due him had so sapped his energy as to make his recovery doubtful.

Reports that the aged couple, were in want and had been starving for weeks, were not vouchsafed for by Dr. Hart. A bank book showing a balance of more than \$200 in the National Savings and Trust Company, to the credit of Mr. Simpson, was found on a bed beside him. Dr. Hart says the couple owned property in Mt. Rainier. They originally were from Maryland.

Dr. Hart believes that Mrs. Simpson had been dead since Sunday night. He visited the Twenty-second street home Sunday morning to see Mr. Simpson, he said. "The old man suffered a dislocated hip the first of December, and since that time had been very ill. I saw him Sunday, and told him I would return the next morning. I returned Monday, knocked at the door, and received no response. Tuesday night, and again this morning I tried to gain entrance, but failed. I then notified the police."

WEATHER REPORT.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.
Fair and warmer tonight; Thursday, increasing cloudiness and warmer.

TEMPERATURES.	
U. S. BUREAU.	AFFLICK'S.
9 a. m. 32°	8 a. m. 31°
10 a. m. 32°	9 a. m. 31°
11 a. m. 32°	10 a. m. 31°
12 noon 32°	11 a. m. 31°
1 p. m. 32°	12 noon 31°
2 p. m. 32°	1 p. m. 31°

TIDE TABLES.
High tides, 1:10 a. m. and 1:37 p. m.
Low tides, 7:21 a. m. and 8:20 p. m.

SUN TABLE.
Sun rises... 7:25; Sun sets... 5:30

FEDERAL BANK
GETS CHARTER
IN FEW HOURS

Promoters of New Concern
Rush for Stock and Get
Temporary Quarters.

JOHN POOLE SLATED
FOR THE PRESIDENCY

Financiers Plan to Name Offi-
cials Today for Institution
Formed Following Split.

The Comptroller of the Currency today issued a charter to the Federal National Bank, making a record for speed in such matters, it is believed. The application was made this morning and the charter issued within a few hours thereafter, when usually it takes thirty days' interval between the application and granting of the charter.

Another record was made in the subscriptions for stock. It was estimated at 1 o'clock that the capital and surplus had been oversubscribed.

Still another record for speed in the organization of a national bank in Washington was made in the opening of a vacant building at 1408 G street northwest at 9:30 o'clock this morning and its furnishing for temporary business within another hour.

The subscriptions for stock and surplus were on the basis of \$100 for the stock and \$25 for surplus, the total being \$500,000 of the former and \$125,000 of the latter.

The committee on organization will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the office of Clarence B. Rheem and discuss the personnel of the board and the other officers. The subscription lists will be examined and steps taken to obtain personal guarantees.

Negotiations are on foot for the lease of the building at the southeast corner of Fourteenth and G streets northwest, diagonally across the way from the Commercial National Bank.

When Mr. Poole opened the temporary quarters of the Federal National Bank at 1408 G street today there were a number of persons already gathered there to make subscriptions to the capital stock.

At the Commercial National Bank, whose election of directors yesterday afternoon was the direct cause of the formation of the Federal National Bank, there was much activity today. Eldridge E. Jordan, vice president, whose coup yesterday resulted in the election of a number of his friends to the board, was present when it opened. He declared he wished every success to the new institution.

Arthur Lee, son-in-law of former Senator Henry G. Davis of West Virginia, will be chosen by the directors of the Commercial to the vice presidency of the bank made vacant by the withdrawal of N. H. Shea, A. G. Clapham is to remain as president, and Tucker K. Sands as the other vice president.

New Cashier Uncertain.
No selection for the vacant cashier position, caused by the withdrawal of Mr. Poole, has as yet been determined upon, but it is possible that one of the present members of the clerical force will be promoted. This program has not been determined upon, it is said.

There will be, if any, additions to the board of directors of the Commercial, except the addition of Mr. Lee, it was said by Mr. Jordan today. The new board, composed largely of those closely identified with the Jordan interests, will be in place as early as the future policies of the bank.

Those who have withdrawn from the Commercial directors are Byron S. Adams, Walter A. Brown, W. J. Church, J. J. Darlington, Wilton J. Gold, John Poole and N. H. Shea. In addition to these John H. Clapp, Myer Cohen and Clarence B. Rheem were not re-elected to the board, and Frank B. Noyes declined re-election. Leon Toibner and Arthur D. Marks are also associated in the formation of the new Federal Bank.

The deposits of the Commercial National Bank at the last Comptroller's call were \$3,122,688.

Pastor Pays Fine
After a Big Row

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 15.—After making a dramatic declaration that he would go to jail rather than pay a fine, Rev. Frank B. Weeks, a Presbyterian minister and owner of the Lafayette apartments, today paid the fine levied for assault upon William Kuhn, a department store messenger. Kuhn was delivering two suit cases to the apartment and being unable to open the electrically-operated front door, forced the lock. The Rev. Mr. Weeks ejected Kuhn with force.

Arrested as "Bookie."

Charged with conducting a handbook on the races, Daniel Plummer, twenty-eight years old, colored, of 404 Fourth and-a-half street southwest, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Sergeant Catts and Detective Howes, of the First precinct.

Through the Southland Fine Balm, which is being enjoyed, just the kind for out-door life. All resorts now open at Asheville, The Land of the Sky, Augusta, Aiken, Summerville, Charleston, Savannah, Brunswick, Florida, Nassau, Cuba—Southern Railway offers excellent service. Consult agents, 705 15th St. and 905 F St. N. W. Adv.

FORTY SECTIONS
IN BIG PARADE
FOR SUFFRAGE

Women to March Up Avenue to
Tunes Played by Two Score
Bands of Music.

WOMAN AVIATOR IS
TO BRING MESSAGE

Executive Mansion Will Be
Surrounded by Gala Array
of Vote Seekers.

More than forty sections of paraders devoted to the cause of women's suffrage, each section headed by a band, and accompanied by suffrage banners, will take part in the pageant here March 3, forming what probably will be the largest affair of the kind ever held.

Starting from the plaza of the Capitol, and passing down in front of the Peace Monument, more than 10,000 persons representing all the different departments of work with which women are associated, will move up Pennsylvania avenue, sweep nearly completely around the grounds of the Executive Mansion, and disband at Continental Hall in Seventeenth street.

Message Through Air.

The parade will be started immediately following the delivery of a message from "The World" by a woman aviator, who will come from the North-west, present the message to the National president of the National Woman's suffrage association.

At the close of the parade the messenger from the air again will appear, circle about over the White House and the Continental Hall, where the mass meeting of suffragettes will be in progress, and perform a series of evolutions in honor of the advancement of women from a position of dependence to one of freedom.

The complete line of parade and the details of the march from the Capitol to the home of the Daughters of American Freedom was given out today from headquarters of the Woman's Suffrage League, 1420 F street northwest.

Virginians in Line.

First in line will be the Daughters of Virginia, mounted on thoroughbred horses, many of them famous throughout the State. The beautiful cream-colored Arabian stallions of Mrs. Helen H. Gardner will lead this contingent, with Mrs. Mosby Coleman, daughter of the famous dashing cavalry officer, as commander.

Mrs. Richard Burleson, wife of Lieutenant Burleson, of Fort Myer, accompanied by Mrs. E. M. MacLennan, president of the Society for Protecting the Dignity and Honor of the Uniform of the United States, a famous horsewoman, will precede this section.

Following the Virginia petitioners will march the national officers of the league accompanied by a band of uniformed women. The general design of the parade is to impress the importance of the suffrage movement, leading the way and emphasizing the importance of the cause. Many of the women have acted as pages at the big conventions of women held here in the past.

Floats Next Due.

Two series of floats representing the suffrage countries and the non-suffrage countries will close the first division of the pageant. These floats will represent allegorically certain phases in the suffrage movement. The general designs are in the hands of Mrs. Glenna S. Timin, chairman of the pageant committee, and will be confirmed by Miss Mackaye, sister of Percy Mackaye, the famous dramatist, in a few days.

The second division will be led by a detachment of petticoat cavalry from the Northern States, Connecticut and Rhode Island will be prominent in this contingent. The Misses Elsie and Clara Hill, daughter of Congressman Hill, of Connecticut have charge of this section and probably will ride at the head of the mounted squadron. Floats representing the "pioneers" of suffrage will form the other prominent feature of the division.

This third division will contain the cavalry section from other Northern States. Here will be the finest woman riders from New York, New Jersey, (Continued on Sixth Page.)

Mother Is Limited
In Visiting Child

Justice Anderson, in Equity Court No. 2, today signed a decree limiting the visits of Mrs. Elizabeth Walsh Cameron to her daughter, Elizabeth Welsh, who is the ward of Miss Sarah Lippincott, in charge of St. Margaret's School, following litigation between the child's parents. After the divorce of the parents the little girl was placed in the custody of Sister Angelica, of the Academy of the Holy Cross, but recently the child was placed in the custody of the school. The latter requested the court to prevent Mrs. Cameron visiting the child so frequently, and Justice Anderson fixed Wednesday afternoons between 2:30 and 3:30 o'clock as the only time the mother can call at the school.

ATHLETE ENDS
LIFE BY LEAP
INTO THE SEA

Dewitt Ellsworth, of This City,
Is a Suicide on Way From
Panama Canal.

WAS ONCE PROMINENT
AS SCHOLASTIC STAR

Represented Tech High and Y.
M. C. A. in Different Sports
in Competition Here.

Dewitt Talmadge Ellsworth, who, as a student in Technical High School, and later as a member of the District National Guard, and the Y. M. C. A., was a prominent athlete in Washington, and for the last two years has been in the Government employ in Panama, leaped overboard from the steamer Alliance on January 11, and was drowned.

Word was brought today when the steamer docked in New York. Young Ellsworth had suffered a nervous and physical collapse, and his parents, at 1248 Girard street, were notified that he was being sent home.

At Tech High.

Young Ellsworth became prominent in Washington when a student at Technical High School. He made the track teams and the baseball and football teams. He later went to George Washington University, but before he completed his course in the institution he enrolled as a student of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he graduated as a draughting engineer.

He returned to Washington and was employed by the Government for a short while, during which he became a member of the National Guard, and the Y. M. C. A. He represented both organizations in track and basketball teams and was considered one of the foremost athletes of the city.

After a short term of employment in Washington Young Ellsworth took the civil service examination for Panama service and was sent to Culebra cut. Just before leaving Washington he was married to Miss Clara Barclay White, of Camden, N. J., who went to Panama with him. The marriage was a happy one, and a few months ago she came back to the United States and remained for a short while in Newport News, Va. While there she received word that her father was desperately ill and has been at his bedside since.

While in Panama young Ellsworth received special commendation from the State Department for the invention of a "damp valve" which, according to Colonel Goethals, has saved the Government thousands of dollars since its adoption.

A short while ago Mrs. Ellsworth, his mother, received a letter from him saying that he had been ill for some time, but that he thought he was better. Last week, however, she received word that he had been killed. Mrs. Ellsworth worked notified Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth that the youth had suffered a nervous and physical collapse and was neither mentally nor physically able to continue his work. They received word of his death on vacation until he should recover.

Leaps Overboard.

On January 11 young Ellsworth eluded all watchers and leaped overboard. The Alliance searched the sea for him until there was no hope for the recovery of his body and then steamed on her way.

Yesterday D. G. Ellsworth went to New York to meet his son, but not until today did he learn of his fate. He will return to Washington tonight.

Young Ellsworth's mother and father live in Washington and a sister, Mrs. Leon Carlson, lives in Marion, N. C. "Goody" Ellsworth, the brother, lives in Seattle, Wash., and Curtis Ellsworth, another brother, lives in Arizona.

High Court Decides
Allens Must Die

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 15.—Retrial for Floyd and Claude Allen, the Hillsville mountaineers sentenced to die for their part in the murders in Judge Massie's court room last March, was denied by the Virginia supreme court today. Unless Governor Mann interferes the father and son will die in the electric chair here Friday morning.

IN CONGRESS TODAY.

SENATE.
Met at noon.
Clapp committee takes further testimony on theft of Standard Oil letters. Resolution introduced to grant Mrs. Daniel M. Randall twelve months' salary of late sergeant-at-arms of the Senate.

Legislative bill taken up.
Foreign Relations Committee meets.

HOUSE.
Met at noon.

Congressman Sims delivered speech regarding features of insurance investigation.

Insurance probe resumed.

Money trust investigation resumed.

Currency hearings resumed.

Wednesday calendar.

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The order was issued by the Navy Department on request of the State Department to which Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson sent the call for aid, after having been informed by Consul Edwards, at Acapulco, of the threatening conditions there. The Denver, at San Diego yesterday, will require four days to make the trip.

Alarming reports of conditions near Acapulco have reached the State Department. Refugees from the surrounding country have been pouring into the coast town, railroad work through Costa Grande has been given up because of rebel threats and the roads through the vicinity, entirely under control of the rebels, are filled with numerous small bands of rebels and marauders.

Court of Russia
Expecting Stork

BERLIN, Jan. 15.—St. Petersburg dispatches today confirmed the report circulated in Paris that the Russian imperial family is awaiting an interesting event, expected early in the spring.

The court chamberlain has been ordered to omit the Czarina's names from all court functions, and this is the explanation of why the Empress did not attend the Christmas festival of the Cosmaaks at the palace recently.

Czar Nicholas II married the Princess Alexandra Alex. or Alexandra Fedorovna, daughter of Ludwig IV, Grand Duke of Hesse, in November, 1904. They have five children—four daughters, the Grand Duchess Olga, the Grand Duchess Tatiana, the Grand Duchess Marie; the Grand Duchess Anastasia and one son, the Grand Duke Alexis, the Czarvitch.

Rich Old Woman
Starves to Death

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 15.—Found dead of starvation amid scenes of squalor and poverty, an aged woman at first thought to be an outcast and beggar, today was identified as Mrs. Rebecca Watson, seventy-four, who had lived, once a wealthy resident of the city, and now worth more than \$20,000. The old woman deserted her relative seven years ago and led the life of a recluse against the will of her family. Relatives say the estrangement thus brought about caused Mrs. Watson to become dependent and starve herself to death.

Find Spinster Dead.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The incessant howling of six pet dogs led to the breaking in of the apartment door of Miss Fannie Luff, sixty years old. She had been dead three days and her dogs were weak with hunger but still able to howl.

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Adheres to Statement.

Congressman Sims stuck to his statement that Mr. Glover first attempted to sell the land to the Government for \$500,000, and finally \$425,000.

On the witness stand, Mr. Glover characterized this statement as false.

"I have a poor opinion of any man," he shouted Mr. Sims, "who gets an option on land and tries to sell it to the Government. This Government does not need any man's option. It can get all the land it wants by condemnation."

Mr. Sims told the House that Mr. Glover's statement has been printed in full in one Washington newspaper and that "it must have been paid for."

Session Is Routine.

While Congressman Sims, in the House, commented upon the real estate situation in the District as aired before the investigating committee, the insurance investigation before the House District Committee was of routine character.

Theodore Starratt, formerly president of the Thompson-Starratt Company and a builder of skyscrapers, testified that it cost \$281,000 to build two years ago. Mr. Starratt said it would cost 20 per cent more today. Attorneys for the insurance companies, however, claim the building was constructed at a cost of much more than \$281,000.

Congressman Redfield and the witness engaged in an extended interchange of views regarding New York and Brooklyn real estate and the depreciation and depreciation in value.

Charles F. Schneider, an expert in iron and steel, of Washington, testified that structural steel here now costs \$20 to \$25 a ton.

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ROCKEFELLER IS SICK,
BUT WELL ENOUGH TO
TESTIFY, SAYS DOCTOR

Oil Man's Condition, Physician Declares, Is Such
As to Permit Examination by Pujo Committee If Probe Into Money Trust Closes
At End of Two Hours.

BIG BANKERS HELD HERE ON SUBPOENAS
TO SATISFY CONGRESS INQUISITORS

William Rockefeller, Standard Oil millionaire, is not too sick to testify briefly in the Money trust inquiry is the opinion by Dr. C. W. Richardson, given to the Pujo committee today, the committee's throat specialist, who examined Rockefeller at Miami, Fla., last Sunday. He said a long examination might be dangerous. An examination of about two hours can be endured without danger, if the matter is of very great importance, is the statement made by Dr. Richardson. The magnate's vocal cords are badly affected, his voice can only be heard for twenty feet. The millionaire is also a victim of shaking palsy, which will make it impossible to conduct an examination in writing, it is said.

Dr. Richardson admitted it was "a question no man

could say," whether a detailed examination of the magnate might not have a deleterious effect on his physical condition.

Decision Postponed.

Chairman Pujo postponed until after adjournment this afternoon final decision upon ordering Rockefeller's appearance. The committee will hold a secret session about 4:30.

That it might be dangerous to "take a chance" in compelling Rockefeller to testify was the general sentiment of the committee, and Attorney Undermyer. The latter said he felt doubtful if Rockefeller should be forced to testify. The general impression is that Rockefeller would not be called.

Dr. Richardson said that Mr. Rockefeller came from Nassau to Miami solely for the examination. The examination took one hour. "His case is more serious than Dr. Chappel, his private physician, indicated in his affidavit. His condition dates back to 1905."

"His right vocal chord is entirely gone. His pulse was 100 and blood pressure 125-8, a little abnormal even for his age. He was excited, accounting for rapid pulse."

"He wrote with great effort. He has shaking palsy—gritting of the head. It took him two and one-half minutes to write eleven words."

Repeating to the question, "Is he too ill to testify here or elsewhere?" Dr. Richardson said: "His physician fears he might have a hemorrhage. That is a possible result. He has two very serious and chronic conditions. I believe a short examination could be carried on with only slight danger. A long examination would cause his voice to become practically extinct. A prolonged examination is very likely to be detrimental physically in a remote way."

Witnesses Await Hearing.

Awaiting examination today were George W. Perkins, formerly of J. P. Morgan & Co., H. P. Davidson, now senior partner of the Morgan firm, Thomas W. Lamont, another Morgan partner, and heads of Speyer & Co., and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., fiscal agents. All were subpoenaed to relate the inside history of big financial transactions of Morgan.

Albert C. Burrage, a Boston lawyer, told of the organization of the Amalgamated Copper Company in 1900. He was a director. He admitted a board of directors was first formed including J. P. Morgan, H. H. Rogers, Marcus Daly, William Rockefeller, James Stillman, George Flower, Robert Bacon and other financial powers, to bring copper, coal and lumber companies into the "combine."

Burrage disclaimed knowledge that the promoters made \$30,000,000 profit—about 20 per cent. He could not recall his share of the profits, nor he did not know if Thomas W. Lamont made \$5,000 in the deal.

William Rockefeller "probably" kept the promoters' accounts, Burrage declared.

TURN RULE FOR ADM.—To allow that Rogers, Rockefeller and their associates, as stockholders of the constituent copper companies, sold their holding to themselves, as directors of Amalgamated, at great profit.

Burrage said when Lawson and Rogers began quarreling he destroyed every scrap of paper regarding his copper deals with both men.

Eight Are Injured
In Traction Crash

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—Eight men were injured, one seriously, and two cars badly damaged when a Chester Short Line trolley car, bound for Eddystone, with about one hundred workmen, crashed into the rear of another on Island Road near Crum Creek. An open switch caused the accident. Both of the cars were carrying employees of the Baldwin locomotive plant in Eddystone.

Birthday of Pancake.

VIENNA, Jan. 15.—The centenary of the pancake, invented by aKrina Platner in 1813 was celebrated with an elaborate many and ceremony at the Double Eagle Cafe.